

AIR QUALITY ALERT IN EFFECT

NORTH POLE – STAGE 1 ADVISORY

FAIRBANKS – REMAINS IN STAGE 1 ADVISORY

Issued: Thursday, January 19, 2017 @ 9:00am

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Health Warning: Air Quality in both Fairbanks and North Pole is classified as Moderate. Unusually sensitive people should consider reducing prolonged or heavy exertion.

Forecast: The NWS forecast and local conditions in Fairbanks and North Pole are resulting in poor dispersion. We are forecasting Fairbanks and North Pole air quality to remain Moderate with 24hr average PM_{2.5} values >25ug/m³.

Note: Air Quality readings are from monitoring stations in Fairbanks and North Pole, and may not be representative of your neighborhood. If you are sensitive to air pollution, or experience any respiratory problems, please follow the instructions of your physician.

REMINDER ... ALL OPEN BURNING IS PROHIBITED in the Borough's PM_{2.5} Nonattainment area from November 1st – March 31st, including the use of burn barrels. This does not include recreational fires such as bonfires, campfires, or ceremonial fires.

For more information visit AQFairbanks.com or call 459-1234.

***What does a Stage 1 Advisory mean?**

VOLUNTARY - Residents are requested to voluntarily stop operation of solid fuel, pellet, and waste oil burning appliances, as well as masonry heaters in the Air Quality Control Zone.